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ABC Breakfast series continues with AAMC speaker

A.M. Renee

Mixing a little imaginative science fiction with medicine, Robert M. Dickler, senior vice president of healthcare affairs for the American Association of Medical Colleges, asked attendees of this season's third ABC Breakfast Series lecture to leap ahead 10 years into the future to consider the challenges facing the American health care system.

"To be honest, I find this a very difficult problem," Dickler said. "The problem I encounter is that when I start from where we are today and I look ahead, I personally find the array of combinations and permutations of what might happen almost beyond comprehension."

With that in mind, Dickler chose to address the changes in health care as though they had already occurred, speaking from the vantage point of 2011.

Filling in for scheduled speaker Jordan Cohen, M.D., president of the AAMC, Dickler brought his years of public health care administration to the breakfast dais in his analysis of the future of health care. A graduate of the University of Minnesota, Dickler has been the director of university systems in Colorado and Minnesota, as well as serving as chairman of the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education and the Metropolitan

Hospital section of the American Hospital Association.

While he offered a few comic insights, such as the election of President Hillary Clinton in the 2008 election, and more sobering ideas such as a further HIV epidemic in 2006, Dickler sees the future of health care as having stratified solidly into a three-tier system which firmly separates the "haves" from the "have-nots." In his three-tier model, lower income classes are serviced by an acute-care, basic needs federally-funded system. The large middle class is serviced by a joint public/private funding system which must ignore experimental therapies, pain management/quality of life care and preventive medicine. Only the private system, completely supported by private funding, fully services every need of the patient, Dickler said.

Dickler's analysis of the provider and system points to American institutions of historic public hospitals, Veterans' Administration Hospitals and Indian organizations as becoming the sole providers in the future lower-income public system, leading to a further governmental regulation of therapies available. In his model, rising costs in health care, associated with an economic depression in

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photo by Chris Machian

Robert M. Dickler, senior vice president of health care affairs for the American Association of Medical Colleges spoke at last Tuesday's ABC Breakfast.

2-0 tennis team tackles two this weekend

David M. Johnson

There are only two undefeated teams on campus right now: the UNO softball team and the UNO tennis team. Softball is idle until March. Head Coach Bill Nichols' tennis team tackles two opponents this weekend at Hanscom Park.

First in are the Augustana Vikings. Under the leadership of Head Coach Aaron Boyd, the Vikings finished 5th in the NCC tournament last April after compiling a 4-3 regular season mark.

The Vikings are led by senior Michelle Seaton and sophomore Shannon Brantley. Augustana has yet to play this season.

In for a Sunday match is Graceland College, an NAIA school out of Lamoni, Iowa.

Head Coach Jerry Hampton is in his 22nd season at the helm of the Yellowjacket tennis squad. His spring 2000 team finished 5-3, winning the Heart of American Athletic Conference title. The fall 2000 team, however, went 0-5.

Graceland's top player is all-conference sophomore Summer Ahuna who finished her freshman year with an 8-2 record.



photo by Josh Williamson

Mikaila Spalding reaches for the ball in a recent practice match.

Nichols counters with four undefeated Maverick singles players (Bridgette Komasincki, Lindsay Loveland, Jennika Schmidt and Mikaila Spalding) and three undefeated teams (Komasincki and Spalding,

Schmidt and Maggie Wear, Loveland and Shannon Dinovo).

Friday's match against Augustana begins at 6 p.m. Sunday's affair against Graceland starts at noon.

Shuttle bus hits city worker

Melissa Kucirek

A Chief Bus Service driver transporting UNO students injured a city worker Feb. 16 while driving northbound through Elmwood Park.

Bus driver Dawn Armelic, 44, swerved into the southbound lane to avoid a large pothole in the street. According to Omaha Police report, Omaha city worker John Nared, 36, was over the center line, and he was hit by the bus mirror, injuring his left shoulder.

According to the police report, Armelic stopped and asked if Nared had been injured. Nared said he was fine and Armelic proceeded.

Nared was later transported to Methodist Hospital, where hospital officials said he was treated and released.

Armelic is still with Chief Bus Service, driving buses for the university.

"She's still working; it's been turned over to the insurance company," Chief Bus Service representative Mose Turner said.

Turner said the bus sustained minor damage. "It was only a mirror that was damaged," Turner said. "It's not even broken."

The Omaha City and Parks Commission safety department's



photo by Chris Machian

Ron McCain (left) and Ken Bass work to fill potholes in Elmwood Park last Friday.

Fred More said Nared was taken to the hospital complaining of pain in his tailbone. "He's a stout man; they put a neck-brace on him," More said. "The mirror caught him right in the middle of his chest."

More says with the pothole problem in the city, many of the workers are under more dangerous conditions. "We have our orange vests or fluorescent green vests," More said. "Most of the time the people going around our workers are just going too fast."

News notes

UNMC aids India earthquake victims

UNMC students are assisting in relief efforts for the Jan. 26 earthquake in India, which killed more than 16,000 and injured more than 150,000.

The Student Senate committee of Gangadhar Sunkara, Christy Rothermund, Luke Dhandke and Ana Maria have set out canisters around the UNMC campus labeled "Earthquake Relief—India."

It is a joint effort with the American Red Cross in Omaha.

"We wanted to bring a global understanding of the quake's impact to the campus community and show that, as an institution, we are here to help," said Sunkara, a graduate student in pharmaceutical sciences, in a press release.

Sunkara is from Andra in southeast India.

Conyers to Appear on "Consider This..."

Dr. James L. Conyers Jr., chairman of the black studies department at UNO, will appear on "Consider This..." Feb. 24 at noon on KYNE-TV Channel 26 and again on Feb. 25 at 2 p.m.

As part of the program's focus on Black History Month, host Carol Schrader will interview Conyers about UNO's black studies department and the role of black

studies in university curriculum. Conyers has written several books on black history and issues.

"Consider This..." a production of UNO Television, can also be seen on NETV2, Nebraska ETV's cable outlet, on Fridays at 11:30 p.m. and Mondays at 12:30 p.m. in 34 cities throughout Nebraska.

Bohn gets International print exposure

University Library employee Mel Bohn had his article on the 1937 Nanking Massacre published in the Feb. 2001 issue of Shokun.

Shokun is published in Tokyo.

Japan Echo, an American magazine, plans to reprint the original English version in its April 2001 issue. France's Cahier du Japon and Spain's Cuadernos de Japon also plan to publish the article.

Over 300,000 Chinese were killed in the Dec. 13, 1937, Nanking Massacre. The Imperial Japanese stormed the Chinese city and raped over 20,000 women.

Library employee Carol Zoerb says Bohn had taken Japanese classes at UNO and had a long-standing interest in the Japanese culture.

"Mel and his wife have hosted dozens of Japanese students at their home," Zoerb said.

Bohn returns to Omaha from Japan April 2.

Summer school schedule now online

David M. Johnson

The summer schedule of classes at UNOmaha is now online at www.unomaha.edu. Select "Class Schedules."

First Summer Evening Session "A" runs May 7-June 22.

First Summer Day Session "B" runs June 4-July 6.

Second Summer Evening Session "C" runs June 25-Aug. 3.

Second Summer Day Session "D" runs July 9-Aug. 10.

The university will be closed May 28 (Memorial Day) and July 4 (Fourth of July Holiday).

Registration for summer classes for currently enrolled graduate students begins April 2. Seniors can register April 3, juniors on April 4, sophomores on April 5, freshmen on April 6 and open registration begins April 9.

Registration for fall classes for currently enrolled graduate students begins April 9-10. Seniors can register for fall classes April 11-12, juniors on April 13-16, sophomores on April 17-18, freshmen on April 19-20 and open registration for fall classes begins April 23.

The fall class schedule will be available on the web beginning March 12.

Registration can be completed over the phone with BRUNO (553-1866, touch-tone for summer semester is 7012#) or online with E-BRUNO.

Students must have their PIN number to register. If you have forgotten your PIN number, bring your photo ID to the Registrar's Office at the Eppley Administration Building, Room 105.

New students will receive a letter in the mail during the week of March 14. It will include PIN information needed for registration. New students should also contact the New Student Orientation office at (402) 554-2677.

National fraternity revokes Indiana's charter after student's death

Katie Peterson
North Park University

Theta Chi national fraternity revoked the charter of Indiana University's local chapter Feb. 15 after it served alcohol at a party where a freshman student sustained fatal injuries.

David Westol, executive director of Theta Chi, said the IU chapter broke its January 2000 probation when the fraternity served alcohol at a party against the national organization's policy.

Seth Korona, a 19-year-old freshman, was served alcohol and sustained a head wound at the Jan. 27 party. Korona died Feb. 4, after spending several days in a coma.

The decision to revoke the charter and Korona's death were "not directly related," Westol said.

Friends had noticed that Korona was not recovering from what they had believed was

a hangover. An autopsy report indicated that Korona suffered a blunt force trauma; however, foul play is not suspected.

"So far we have not found any evidence that would lead us to believe foul play was involved in this case," said Lt. Jerry Minger. "This is strictly a voluntary investigation, therefore we can not estimate when this investigation will be over."

The decision to abolish the fraternity will last for a "generation of students" said Dean of Students Richard McKaig.

The members of the fraternity were evicted from their house on Feb. 9 and are expected to move out by mid-March. The fraternity has a chance to renew its charter in three years with university permission.

Westol said he hopes to see Theta Chi return to campus.

"We would do so only with the permission and blessing of the university and the interfraternity council," Westol said.

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Gateway one-on-one with head baseball coach Bob Herold

Cory Carlson

Bob Herold is entering his second year as head coach of the Mavericks. Herold led UNO to a 25-25-1 record in 2000, including a 12-8 mark in the North Central Conference, good for third place.

The 1972 UNO grad played nine seasons in the major leagues. Coach Herold emphasizes a strong coaching staff and pitching depth as the keys to a successful baseball program at UNO.

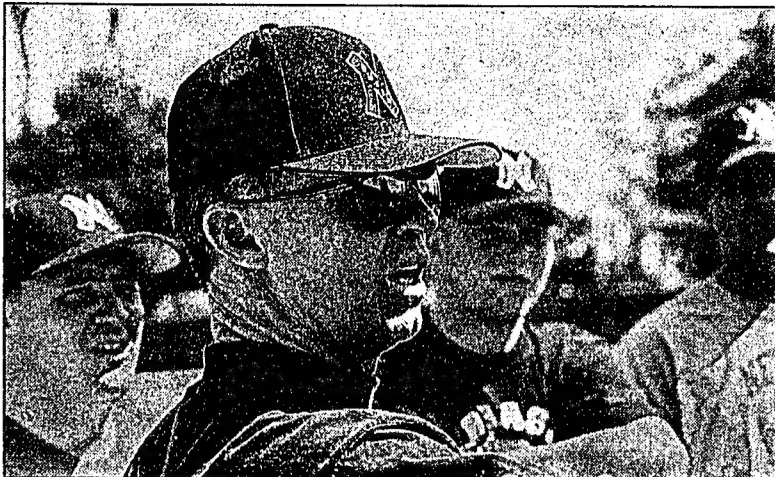
He is assisted by Chris Gadsden, Jim Palensky and Dan McGinn. Gadsden played at Creighton and heads the academic resource facilities for the team. Palensky played for UNO in the mid-1980s, and is a 10-year veteran of the Omaha Fire Department. McGinn brings 12 years of big league experience, and will be the pitching coach.

Gateway: What is the biggest difference between this time a year ago and today?

Herold: This year we have some guys we're actually counting on. We have some veteran guys and a more talented group of guys. We have more pitching depth.

Gateway: Prior to the start of last season, you mentioned you just wanted to be competitive. You finished 12-8 in the NCC, in third place. Did the result exceed your expectations?

Herold: Honestly, I didn't have any expectations. I don't know if it's fair to put expectations on guys when you don't know anything about them. The



Head Coach Bob Herold talks to his team before practice last season.

only way we're going to make any noise in this conference is to get better pitching.

Gateway: How's the team jelling so far in preseason workouts and practices?

Herold: We've got some guys getting after it, and I like that. They worked real hard all fall, and they ran all winter. They're fighting through a little cabin fever right now, and they're anxious to get outside and play.

Gateway: What are your long-term goals for Maverick baseball?

Herold: There have been talks about possibly building a baseball field down by Aksarben. Anytime your guys have to leave the locker room, get in a car and drive halfway across the city, it's just not the same thing as having a home field.

Gateway: Tell me about the coaching staff you have assembled.

Herold: In recruiting, I am emphasizing the coaching staff. I'm not bragging, but we're going to have a better team this year because of the coaching staff. They're the kind of guys I want coaching. They have a great feel for the game and they're great people. They know how to communicate and they have good values.

Gateway: What kind of a player are you looking for?

Herold: We only recruit a certain type of guy. We're more concerned with their character and integrity.

• UNO, weather permitting, opens the season against Division I Wisconsin-Milwaukee at Creighton Sports Complex at 3:30 p.m. Sunday.

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the Bush administration, would cause most employers to drop affordable health insurance as a benefit, forcing many middle-class patients to seek from the public system.

His conclusion on the state of health care in this 2011 model maintains that while life span can continue to rise, the life span differential according to race and socioeconomic status would continue to rise. Acute care medicine would improve, patient functionality would improve, expenditures would be controlled and governmental control would increase.

Pointing specifically to the national reform debate during the 1990s, Dickler talked about the twisting of the initial focus of the reform movement and its final solutions. Dickler said the debate opened with comprehensive health care reform, including universal health coverage, government/private balance and supporting research and education activities. By the end of the debate, there was no universal health coverage, health care was further privatized and most government involvement was reduced in favor of HMOs.

In addition to the debate, Dickler lists a commerciality in application-driven research, excessive home care, alternative medicine, Internet methods of self-diagnosis and the drug industry's focus on advertising as further detriments to the development of a sound system.

"I don't anticipate that you will agree with my projections. In fact, that's desirable. My intent is to stimulate all of us and think about the next ten years," Dickler said. "That you will hopefully utilize these thoughts in the context of your own activities and your own thinking on the current and the future system."

Remembering Dr. King: Nebraska 1964

Only three weeks after receiving the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964, the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. brought his message of peace and hope to Lincoln.

At 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 25, log in to NET Online (<http://net.unl.edu>) to hear live streaming audio of the great civil rights leader's speech along with the reflections of special guests who were in the audience that day.

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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

Contrary to the impression given by the Gateway ("Student Government debates spending, recruitment efforts," Feb. 20), in statements attributed to me, students should expect a tuition increase for next year.

The Gateway reported that Derek Hodgson and I, in our Feb. 15 meeting with the UNO Student Senate, "dispelled any rumors of a tuition increase." It also indicated that I said "there are no proposals for raising tuition at this time."

These statements convey a message opposite to the one I was presenting to the Student Senate. What I stated at the outset was that the proposed increases in tuition for next year, or the next biennium, have not yet been developed. I also pointed out that the proposed increases are generally presented to the Board of Regents sometime in the spring.

I then presented information showing that both tuition and tuition and fees combined at UNO, UNL and UNK are in each case significantly lower than the average of our respective peers. I pointed out that based upon peer increases for this year, it would likely take an increase of around five or six percent just to stay the same distance behind our peers. I concluded that a larger increase will likely be necessary, which would close part of that tuition rate gap between the University of Nebraska campuses and our peers.

Gary L. Carrico
Vice chancellor for business and finance

Should we assassinate foreign leaders?



The right way

column by
Aaron Winters

In 1976 President Gerald Ford issued an executive order that no citizen of the United States could assassinate a leader of a foreign nation.

Today that order still stands and is a controversial issue being heavily debated.

This controversial issue has once again been brought to the surface this week. Republican Congressman Bob Barr of Georgia's seventh district is proposing new legislation that would allow the United States to assassinate foreign leaders who are potentially harmful or have harmed their country's people. Many believe that this is a great piece of legislation, and I happen to believe that as well.

I believe that this piece of legislation has many positive aspects to it.

If passed, the United States could eliminate leaders who have harmed their people and pose a threat to surrounding nations and the United States as well. It's not limited to leaders of a country; this legislation will include leaders of terrorist groups such as Osama Bin Laden's terrorist faction. Many lives could be saved and wars could be prevented if this legislation passes.

Many of the citizens in this country probably believe this legislation is being proposed so the United States has the go to assassinate Saddam Hussein. I'll admit he's a probable target that our government will consider. He poses a threat to the citizens of his country and a threat to our soldiers and to our allies' soldiers as well. The recent attacks on Iraq's air defense systems prove he's still a threat. This legislation will take away the threat.

As I said before, leaders of renegade terrorists groups would be included in this legislation, allowing our government to go after leaders such as Osama Bin Laden. This man has directed his followers to bomb U.S. embassies and is responsible for the attack on the USS Cole naval vessel. What good has this man done? What good could this man do? The answers are that he's done nothing good and can't ever do anything good. The government should go after guys like this and eliminate the threat.

Many proponents of the legislation state that if the United States

would've gone after Hitler or Stalin, millions of lives could have been saved, and a war may have been prevented. I see nothing wrong with that statement, and in all probability. The statement is correct. Those are two examples of leaders the world would have been better off without, and these two idiots are the type of leaders this legislation will try to keep out of power.

Opponents will raise the objection that this legislation will not work because it didn't when the government tried to assassinate Fidel Castro and others. The problem isn't the legislation. It's called a covert operation. How the operation is executed is the deciding factor in dictating if an assassination attempt is a success or a failure. The legislation makes the operation legal to carry out; it doesn't perform the actual covert operation.

Personally, I believe when renegade leaders look at this piece of legislation, this legislation could deter them from being a threat to people or nations. They will know the consequences of actions they take, and if they do anything harmful, they will not be around anymore. I would hope that leaders take this into consideration and are deterred by the fact they could be assassinated if they do anything harmful or malicious. This legislation will do a lot of good for the world. It will save lives and prevent wars.

Arctic national oil refuge



Left field

column by
Ryan McGrane

There is a serious energy crisis in our country. The energy crisis does not have anything to do with lack of oil or natural gas, but has everything to do with an idiotic deregulation plan in California and our preference of convenience over responsible solutions. Our own inability to see the consequences of a national energy policy is being completely overlooked in this debacle. We are far too dependent on fossil fuels to power our daily activities. Although there are viable alternatives in wind and solar power, our myopic and selfish country still chooses to pollute itself to death.

It should surprise no one that the Bush Administration is making it a high priority to open the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to oil exploration. Bush promised it during the campaign and Secretary of the Interior Gale Norton, archaic as they come, is still reluctant even to recognize the existence of global warming. The Administration is a big business, and particularly a big oil puppet. Opening the ANWR would prove a boon to fossil fuel companies everywhere.

However, big business and the Republicans are using the energy crunch in a politically deceiving manner. They claim that we need to open ANWR to fill the current energy void. They claim environmental standards in place to reduce air pollution need to be relaxed to allow plants in California to operate at full capacity. They claim what they characterize as ridiculous environmental standards need to be lifted to build more fossil fuel plants in California. They claim ANWR needs to be exploited to alleviate our reliance on foreign oil. These are all misleading, disingenuous claims and equate to lies.

Even on an expedited schedule, oil would not flow from ANWR until at least 2010 and possibly not until 2015. The overwhelming majority of plants in California are operating at full capacity already. Even Bush's economic adviser, Lawrence Lindsey, admits that the problem lies in getting the energy to consumers, not in lack of supply. Another fact Bush opportunely overlooks is that in

California, oil only provides 1 percent of the source fuel for electricity. Nationwide, it only provides 3 percent.

It is impossible for the United States to become self-reliant for its oil needs. There is no conceivable way we can completely or even substantially reduce our reliance on foreign oil, unless we develop other alternative energy sources. Even if ANWR was completely drained of oil, it would only supply our nation's demand for six months.

The crux of the current situation lies not in too stringent environmental standards or over reliance on foreign sources for energy. They have absolutely nothing to do with the energy crisis the nation is facing. A flawed deregulation plan that allowed wholesale electricity prices to soar while retail rates were frozen is to blame.

Even though Bush seems intent to push this travesty onto the country, there are hints of rebellion in the Congress. Several moderate Republicans have voiced concern and resistance about the proposal. However, several conservative Democrats have expressed support or are viewed as swing votes on the issues. Among those is our Sen. Nelson, who should have simply run as a Republican and rid himself of that pesky Democrat party label.

There are arguments that the environmental impact of new oil exploration in ANWR would be decreased because of new technologies. A decreased impact does not equate to a minimal or nonexistent impact. We are destroying and raping plenty of other natural resources in our country, why do we have to encompass another?

Bush would be wise to shun his oil bedfellows and abandon this environmentally tragic and politically explosive proposal. Because of disenfranchisement in Florida, he already has aroused voracious anger in black activism. This issue is equally as polarizing for the environmental lobby and could add to his already mounting problems in 2004. Political expediency notwithstanding, abandoning this proposal is the only environmentally responsible action to take. To use this situation to decimate and intrusively disrupt an important part of our nation's wildlife preserves is gratuitous and a prelude to what the next four years holds for the environmental fragility of our country.



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Cruisin' the news



Capel cottage revue

column by David Johnson

• You Heard It Here First

ITV in England is launching the newest, craziest kids cartoon and computer generated TV show, "Butt-Ugly Martians." B Bop-A-Luna, Do-Wah Diddy and 2-T-Fru-T overpower their enemies by burping and passing gas at them. Steven Spielberg has already made a bid for the movie rights, and eight million Butt-Ugly dolls are set to flood the market this summer. Hasbro expects to sell \$50 million worth of Butt-Ugly merchandise this year alone.

Would I lie?

• No Laughing Matter

A study by Dr. Hajime Kimata of Untika Central Hospital in Kyoto, Japan, found that laughter and a positive attitude not only can reduce pain, but can also alleviate some allergies. His findings, published last week in the Journal of the American Medical Association, show humor can heal the body as well as fight diseases affecting the body's immune system.

That's strange. Most people tell me my column makes them sick.

• More From "Women Are From Venus, Men Are Basically Pigs"

Vienna, Austria, psychologist Karl Grammer has been analyzing the flirting habits of men and women. He concludes in every "first encounter," it is the woman who controls the situation, even though it is the man who thinks he is in charge. "Women send out sexually explicit signals unknowingly, just to attract a man's attention," Grammer

said. "The woman's actions, such as flicking their hair, fiddling with their clothes or listening attentively to him, controlled the man's behavior. You can predict male behavior from female behavior, but not the other way around."

My behavior is pretty predictable. Whenever a woman shows the least bit of interest in me, I always react the same way ... drool all over my shoes.

• Who Says Blondes Have More Fun?

A survey by the Reykjavik Commercial Workers Union in Iceland shows blonde women earn 10 percent less on the average than those with light brown hair. Brunettes earned about 232,000 crowns every month, while blondes pulled in 213,000 crowns. Actually, short blondes earn the least on the average there, with 208,000 crowns each month. An Icelandic investment banker had the best advice, "Stop dying your hair blonde, and be satisfied with the mousy color ... and buy shoes with higher heels."

Apparently, the best jobs go to rodents in stilettos.

• Frogs And Brds

La Redoute, a French fashion company, has published a report in which it argues French women are indeed sexier than British women. According to the report, French women are three times more likely to purchase sexy lingerie and twice as likely to dress with the sole purpose of attracting men. And, unlike their British counterparts, la femme francaise also seem to have a

"knack for playing a man like a violin." And I wouldn't mind that so much if it weren't for those dam catgut burns on my belly.

• Museum For Heels

Former Philippines First Lady Imelda Marcos has opened a shoe museum in Manila. The Marikina City Footwear Museum is now home to more than 1,200 pairs of shoes once owned by the "First Lady Of Sole." They were found in the Malacanang palace when President Marcos and Imelda fled the country in disgrace in 1986. "Filipinos are very good in recycling problems into assets," Imelda said. "They have done a good job with the museum."

In a totally unrelated item, former First Lady Hillary Clinton has announced plans to open an FBI file museum.

• Great, Now Sleep Is Unhealthy

Buffalo University researcher Dr. Adnan Qureshi says people who sleep more than eight hours a night are nine percent more likely to have a stroke than those who sleep eight or less hours. Not only that, but people who snore have a higher than normal risk for heart problems. "There is a link between sleep and the narrowing of the carotid artery," Qureshi said.

Yes, I have suffered chest pains while snoring, but that's probably due to my wife continually shoving her elbow into my ribs.

• If ...

Demographers have scaled down the world into workable units. They have found, if the world only contained 100 people: 57 would be Asian, 21 European, 14 from the Western Hemisphere and eight from Africa. Fifty-two would be women, 48 would be

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Matthew Sweet concert a treat for the ears

review by
Rebecca Manczuk

The Ranch Bowl was host to yet another high-energy show Monday when Matthew Sweet took the stage along with local band Musico.

Opening act Musico started the show off on the right foot with songs that you almost had to dance to. The band even went as far as to section off part of the hall for dancing only. Amid requests for the song "Rock and Roll Guitar Solo," Musico kept the evening light and fun with great songs and a wicked sense of humor, like playing "girl" songs in hopes that Matthew Sweet would sing "Evangeline."

Musico looked genuinely happy to be

there, which made the crowd happy to be there. The band definitely set the mood for the night.

Soon after Musico's set ended, Lincoln native Matthew Sweet brought his band on stage and took control.

Omaha was the first stop on Sweet's tour to promote his newest release, the greatest hits album "Time Capsule."

Once he was on stage, Sweet went right into the first song of the night, "Beware Love." His 16 song set included "Where You Get Love," "Devil with the Green Eyes," "Sick Of Myself," "Come to California" and "Girlfriend." The people at the Ranch Bowl got an extra special treat when Sweet performed the song

"Untitled" for the first time.

Sweet concluded his set with two encores. The second included the song that seemed to be the local favorite, "Evangeline."

Even though the vocals on Sweet were a little low and could barely be heard over the guitars and drums, no one seemed to care, because it seemed everyone already knew all the words. It's rare to see such energy at a show these days, and even rarer to hear of a performer playing two encores. It was cool to witness Sweet feeding off the crowd as much as the crowd was feeding off him. Next time he is in Omaha, go see him — even if you've never heard of him. Trust me, you won't regret it.

The trials and triumphs of 'Othello'

a column by Margaret Boehme

As a theater critic, it is so easy to be like a bloodhound and sniff out any disruptive flow of continuity or unnatural flaw that dares to show itself before an audience at a performance. Like an innocent, dumfounded frog in biology class, every aspect of a theatrical production is dissected and examined. Any and all conceivable angles, from the set, the costumes, the acting skills of the cast, to the director's choice of script, cast and stage direction are handed over to the critic's scrutiny.

Last Friday night, after watching an entire rehearsal for UNO's production of "Othello," I quickly remember why I switched majors and opted for my destiny's calling in the UNO writer's workshop program. After sitting through one grueling, industrious and extremely productive four and a half hour rehearsal, with few breaks to speak of, I have no regrets for my sometimes enigmatic and yet exacting writing classes. I am left in awe and amazement for the endurance of this dedicated and proficient cast and crew with such stout, unrelenting work ethics.

With an average rehearsal running no less than four hours, five to six days a week for the past four weeks, UNO freshman Sarah Pourshavafeddin, a theater major and "Othello" cast member observed, "When you're walking around campus, you can always tell a theater

person from just a regular person, they will have bags under their eyes and look malnourished."

UNO freshman and "Othello" cast member Melanie Gillis explains how her colleagues make up for the lack of food and sleep. Gillis, a theater major said, "The cast chemistry is really good ... it's great because everybody's family here, that's why we love the show." Pourshavafeddin agrees, adding that actors make sacrifices solely for the love of acting. "Nobody would want to go through the rehearsals that we do, but they do it anyway because they just love it."

When asked about the difficulties of handling such a demanding schedule, UNO senior Brandon Rohe said, "Being a theater major you just know what is entailed [with the rehearsal schedule] ... really, the toughest thing is just keeping your sanity, keeping up with your homework."

Rohe, who portrays Cassio, a principal role in "Othello," stresses the importance of making time for himself.

Often forgotten behind the scenes, yet essential for every production, is the crew. When speaking of the pressures of time constraints, Rohe mentions, "The people who work the hardest are the stage managers and assistant stage managers. They're here an hour before rehearsal and an hour after every rehearsal. That's something the audience doesn't see."

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The cheap and the choice

compiled by Rae Licari

Friday, Feb. 23

"Laser Majic" Mallory Kountze Planetarium, Durham Science Center. Showing throughout the month of February is music from Metallica at 7 p.m., Limp Bizkit at 8:30 p.m. and the Dave Matthews Band at 10 p.m. Tickets are \$4 for adults, \$3 for children 12 and under. For more information, call the physics hotline at 554-3722 or check out the Web site at www.physics.unomaha.edu.

"Othello" Weber Fine Arts Theater. The UNO theater department's production of William Shakespeare's classic tragedy kicks off this weekend and runs Wednesday through Saturday next weekend. Performances begin at 8 p.m. all nights. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for students. Call 554-2335 for reservations.

Saturday, Feb. 24

"Yi Yi (A One and a Two)" Mary Riepma Ross Theater, 12th and R St., Lincoln. Showing this weekend only, "Yi Yi" centers around a Taiwanese family's struggles with life and love. Showtimes are 3 and 7 p.m. tonight and Sunday. Admission is \$6.50 for adults and \$4.50 for students, senior citizens, children and friends of the theater. Call the theater at (402) 472-5353 for more information.

"Robin Eubanks and Mental Images" Strauss Performing Arts Recital Hall. This eclectic jazz ensemble's appearance is the latest installation of this year's Ecoutez! season. Show starts at 7:30 p.m. and tickets are \$15 for adults, free for students with ID. Call 554-3062 for more information or reservations.

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A buyer's guide to must-have DVDs

opinion by T.J. Accola

A few weeks back, we gave you a step-by-step guide to buying a DVD player. We also promised to select a few DVDs most worthy of christening your DVD. Alas, this list of must-have discs did not arrive — until now.

"Boogie Nights: New Line Platinum Series"

As if the first DVD edition of "Boogie Nights" was not impressive enough, the incomparable Paul Thomas Anderson culled a heap of extras from the Criterion Collection laserdisc and added them to arguably the best film of the '90s. Two full-length commentaries by nearly all the major players and Anderson himself, a new digital mastering, 10 deleted scenes and the priceless John C. Reilly files. The box art alone makes this one worth owning.

"Brazil: The Criterion Collection"

Filling three full discs, the granddaddy of all DVDs could almost be considered an exercise in over zealotry. And while "Brazil" could be considered an acquired taste, this rather expensive set exemplifies the differences between an artist's vision and a studio's, as well as a huge amount of creative input from a number of the film's makers.

"Fight Club"

Perhaps the most popular among enthusiasts, the DVD version of "Fight Club" is much like the film itself — very cool but rather insubstantial. A series of

behind-the-scenes shorts show just how some of those stylish sequences in the film were made. But where this DVD really shines is in commentary tracks: director, actors and writers each have a dedicated commentary track, bringing new meaning to the word "in-depth."

"Seven: New Line Platinum Series"

Director David Fincher must have decided he enjoyed producing the DVD version of "Fight Club" that he decided it would be a good idea to import the multitude of extras from the Criterion Collection laserdisc to the DVD format. Again, four commentary tracks give an unbelievable look at the film.

"T2: The Ultimate Edition DVD"

Not only is this DVD cool just to look at, it also has a heaping amount of extras. Scores of mini-documentaries cover nearly every aspect of the making of "Terminator 2: Judgment Day." A commentary track containing input from over two dozen of the film's crew members gives an unmatched technical look at filmmaking. However, slightly grainy video takes this one down a notch.

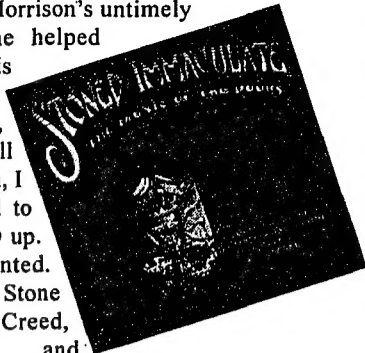
So there you have it — a short list of the must-own DVDs currently on the market. They may not be the best discs to spin if you want to blow out the windows in the house, but they best exemplify the spirit of DVD: excess.

CD reviews

reviews by Rebecca Manczuk

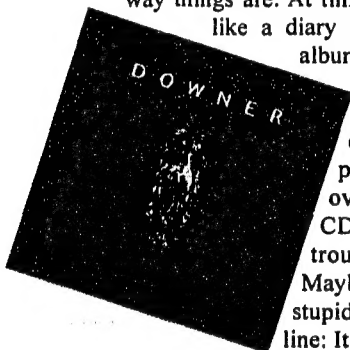
Various Artists • Stoned Immaculate: Music of the Doors (Elektra)

Years after Jim Morrison's untimely death, the music he helped create lives on in this compilation CD. Considering I am, was, and always will be a HUGE Doors fan, I was looking forward to picking this little CD up. I was not disappointed. With the help of the Stone Temple Pilots, Creed, Smash Mouth and Aerosmith, among others, the surviving members of The Doors have brought their music to a whole new generation. I highly suggest picking this up. It's an awesome CD, whether you've heard of the Doors or not. Grade: B+



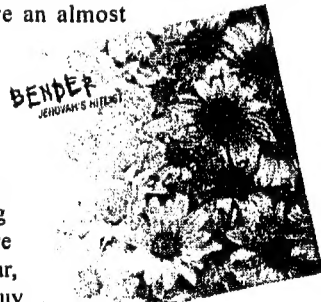
Downer • Downer (Roadrunner)

The self-titled album from Downer is hard, pulsating rock. The CD starts off loud and in your face and doesn't back off. Songs like "Last Time," "Savior" and "Bi-Furious" show the band's growing frustration with the way things are. At times the CD sounds more like a diary entry than a hard rock album. But considering the way everything is delivered (in a big bag of teenage angst) the preachiness is overlookable. It's a good CD for those oh-so-troubling teenage years. Maybe even for those oh-so-stupid college years. Bottom line: It's a decent CD. Grade: C



Bender • Jehovah's Hitlist (TVT)

To be honest, I had never heard of this band and had no clue what to expect. The bleeding daisy on the cover gave me some clue, but other than that I was lost. After listening, I was pleasantly surprised. This is a great CD. Some songs on here have an almost profound insight to them, i.e. "Isolate," "Passion Flower" and "Body and Soul." Other songs seem to be purely comical relief. This is an awesome CD. Stop doing whatever it is you're doing, get in your little car, drive to Homer's and buy this CD. It's well worth the \$12-15. Grade: A



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UNO sophomore and assistant stage manager John Gruber concedes that his job isn't as appreciated. However, Gruber is quite happy in his tech position and grateful for the theater tech skills he's learning at UNO.

"[Professional] theater right now is going through a state where a lot of the people are leaving theater to do other jobs," Gruber said. "So theater tech (in professional theaters) is starting to get paid a lot more."

Principal actor D. Kevin Williams, who plays the title

role in "Othello," is no stranger to either Shakespeare or professional theater. As a professional actor, Williams has a keen and seasoned understanding of theatrical demands regarding time.

"Actually, a professional company would put this together in a total of three weeks," Williams said.

"Othello" runs Feb. 22-24, 28 and Mar. 1-3. All performances will be in the Weber Fine Arts Theater and begin at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$5 for students and \$7 for adults, available at 554-2335.

from Cruisin', page 5

men. Eleven would be gay. There would be one newborn, one with a college degree and one who owned a computer.

And 37 would have had their votes thrown out by the Florida State Election Commission.

• Generation O(bese)

A report written by David Ludwig of Children's Hospital in Boston says today's adolescents are increasingly putting their health at risk by consuming too much junk food, and the main culprit is ... soft drinks. His study found, even when children changed their diets and increased their exercise regimen, those who continued to drink soda became obese. "The average teenager is getting 15 to 20 teaspoons a day of added sugar from soft drinks alone," Ludwig said. The National Soft Drink Association refutes the study.

That's stupid. I drink sodas all the time and I'm not obese ... oh, wait. Never mind.

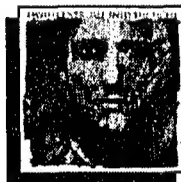
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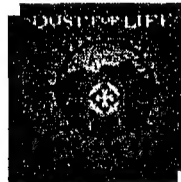
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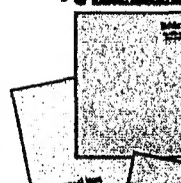
JILL MARIE
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20 year old Omaha Jill Marie has quietly sold thousands of CDs and has shared the stage with dozens of country greats. Her latest EP, a sparkling mix of modern country and pop, recorded in Nashville, illustrates Jill's blossoming talent.



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Brandeis Southroads 4 movie theater reopens

Michael Callahan, Jr.

If you go to the newly reopened Brandeis Southroads 4 Theatre tonight, you just may have the entire theater to yourself.

Since reopening it's door for business on January 26, the theater is trying profusely to spread the word.

After Bellevue's newest multiplex theater, Twin Creek Cinema, opened recently, Douglas Theatres shut down the Southroads theater. Alan Baer, of Alan Baer and Associates, the owner of the mall itself, decided to give the theater another go. But what Alan had in mind for the theater is quite unconventional.

Instead of showing four recent American films that basically every theater in Omaha would be playing as well, Baer decided to welcome in two international/art films to run along with two second run American films, thus opening the door for Omaha film lovers to get a chance to see some of the best films in the world that would have never been shown otherwise.

Currently the only other venue for these such films is the Dundee Theater. Dundee is certainly a cherished Omaha building to watch these films, but Dundee only can show one film at a time, and the theater usually runs it for a few weeks at a time.

The Brandeis Theatre's active manager, Brenda Lewis, is juiced about the idea.

"The two art films make us different than most places because we're bringing people more options, films that are not typically seen in Omaha," Lewis said. "We're hoping to mix it up a little bit by doing something a little out of the mainstream."

Out of the mainstream is absolutely right. The current slate of showings include a Japanese film, "Adrenaline

Drive," and to the applause of many film buffs around the area, the critically acclaimed British film, "Croupier," which many never fathomed would ever show in Omaha.

Lewis said those who have visited the theater since the reopening have been quite excited and supportive of their efforts to show different films.

"It's very encouraging because everyone who comes down says, 'We're so glad you're doing this, please keep it up,'" Lewis said. "And I'm like, 'Spread the word, tell everyone you know!'"

Unfortunately for Lewis and company, business is a little slow. But the staff is attributing a lot of that to bone-chilling temperatures and that people don't really know the theater is open again.

With the independent ownership, the theater has many options on what to do next to improve. There has been talk of alcohol being served for films, a possible dinner theater type layout, the running of older classics such as "Calablanca," and a local film festival being held. Lewis is always willing to listen to suggestions about what films to try and get ahold of.

"I love to get suggestions and I've already gotten many requests for films that customers would like to see in the near future," Lewis said. "Sometimes you have to dig around, but there is always a chance we can get the films you want to see, but are never shown in Omaha."

Showing right now along with "Croupier" and "Adrenaline Drive" are "The Exorcist" and "Men of Honor." In the very near future the Brandeis is planning on running "The Rocky Horror Picture Show," and "A Time For Drunken Horses."

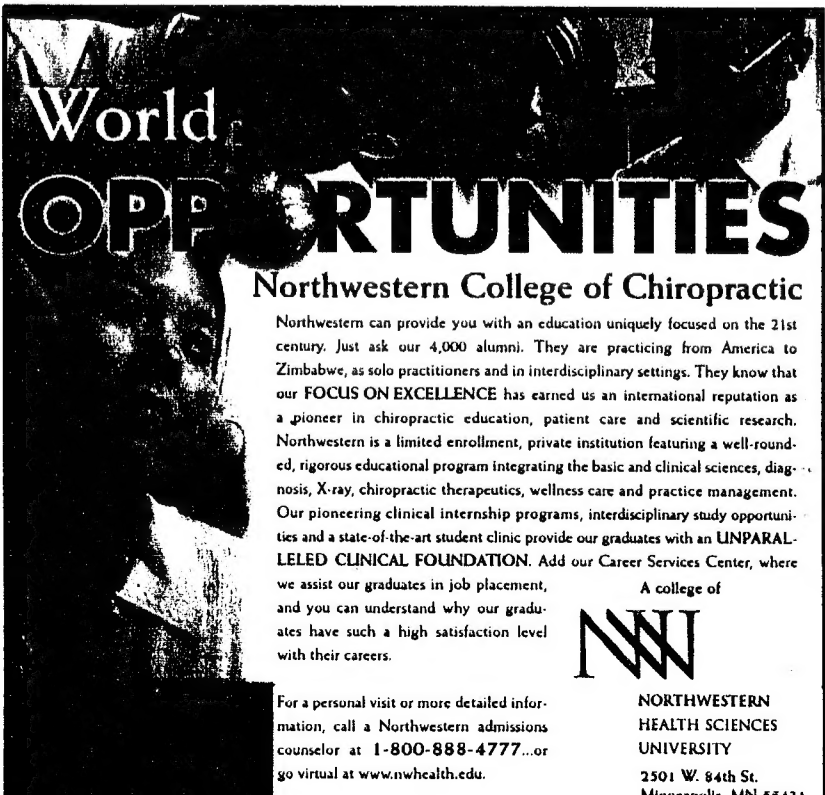
Perhaps Omaha is not the greatest city to bank on art or international films. But there is much hope that Omaha will embrace a unique venue such as this.

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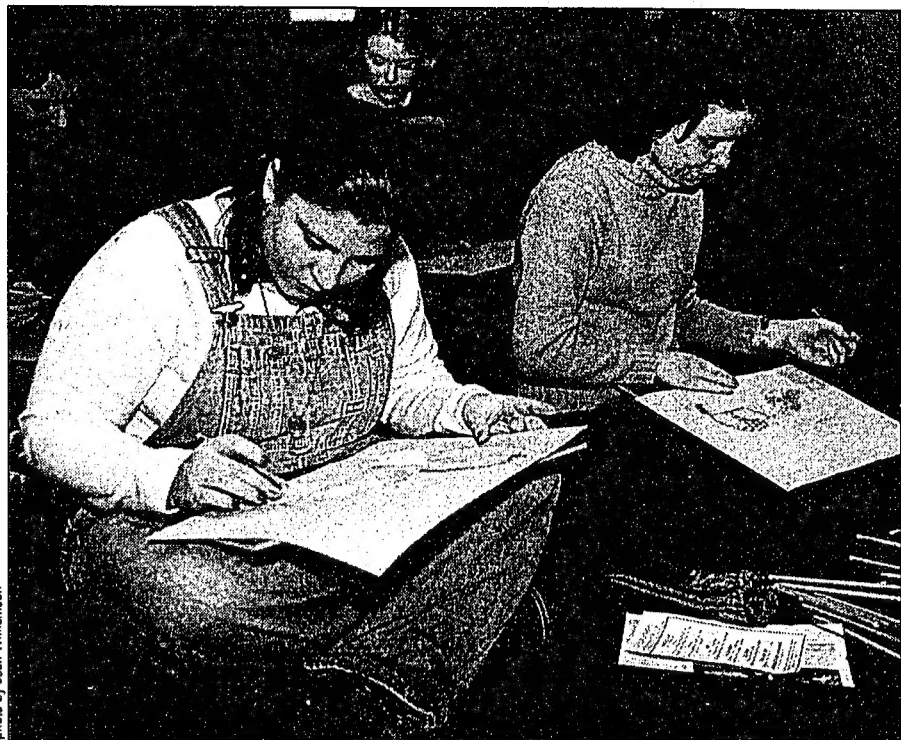
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Leann Ewoldt and Thereasa Soby (right) of Dana College take part in a guided still life lesson during College Night at the Joslyn Art Museum.

Joslyn College Night a success

review by Nicole Williamson

College students from the Omaha area crowded into the Joslyn Art Museum last Friday night for College Night. Joslyn provided free pizza and pop to students. Students also had the opportunity to participate in workshops or view the museum's collections.

Students had the choice to view the museum on their own or participate in a guided tour. The guided tours offered included the "Early 20th-Century Art" collection, "Native American Art: Connecting Past with Present," and "From the Sun King to the Royal

Twilight," a visiting collection of 18th-century French paintings.

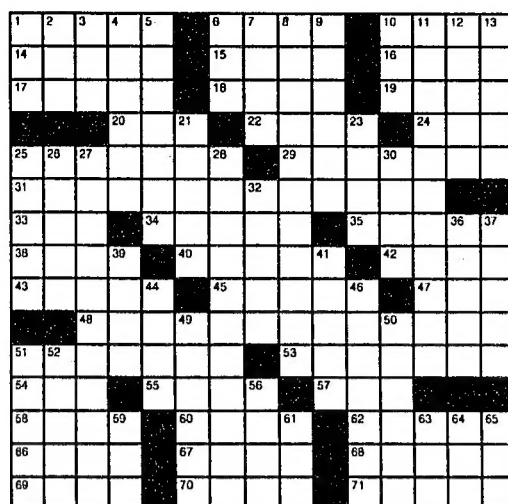
There was a costume room where students could dress in 18th-century style French garments. There was also an art workshop where students were instructed on the various techniques of drawing.

For those more interested in celluloid art, there was a showing of the Orson Welles' movie "F for Fake," which delves into the world of art forgery.

The night proved to be a success with many students staying the whole night. There were prizes handed out at the end, which included coffee mugs and baseball caps.

Crossword

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- 1 Two of a kind
 - 6 Nuisance
 - 10 Eurasian vipers
 - 14 Gymnast Comaneci
 - 15 podrida
 - 16 Gent
 - 17 Bindle stiff
 - 18 Map of lots
 - 19 Yam
 - 20 Expansive
 - 22 Mobile starter?
 - 24 Clan members
 - 25 Racetrack near Miami
 - 29 Unexpected benefit
 - 31 In a state of suspense
 - 33 However
 - 34 For rent, in London
 - 35 More mature
 - 38 Black-and-white cookie
 - 40 Alter a skirt's length
 - 42 Mother; Fr.
 - 43 Toledo mister
 - 45 Nostrils
 - 47 Exist
 - 48 Change one's mind after reconsideration
 - 51 Disk-shaped toy
 - 53 Staggerers
 - 54 Gun it in neutral
 - 55 Magle and Mineo
 - 57 Outer edge
 - 58 Bullring cheers
 - 60 Soft, thick lump
 - 62 Young females
 - 66 Colorado tributary
 - 67 Host after Carson
 - 68 Muse of poetry
 - 69 Hades river
 - 70 Cogito sum
 - 71 Singer Travis



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- 1 Blast letters
 - 2 Open hostilities
 - 3 Actress Lupino
 - 4 Spry
 - 5 Having sound judgment
 - 6 Soda
 - 7 Songstress Fitzgerald
 - 8 Massacre
 - 9 Body art
 - 10 False front
 - 11 Bard of Avon
 - 12 Michael of Monty Python
 - 13 Use credit
 - 21 Florida student
 - 23 Smell
 - 25 Bindle stiffs
 - 26 Harden
 - 27 With thoughtful care
 - 28 Role for Patty Duke
 - 30 Pass over lightly
 - 32 12-step program
 - 36 Blunder
 - 37 Coral creations
 - 39 Aahs partners?
 - 41 Poetic rhythm
 - 44 Chest bones
 - 46 Rod of "The Pawnbroker"
 - 49 1997 20-game winner Denny
 - 50 City where Mark Twain is buried
 - 51 Leaping amphibians
 - 52 Kindled again
 - 56 Tune
 - 59 Bird's hom?
 - 61 Bronx cheer
 - 63 Jogged
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Playoff berth on the line when UNO takes on Northern Colorado

Cory Carlson

The winner of Saturday's 2 p.m. (MST) game between the UNO Mavericks (6-11, 8-17 overall) and the Northern Colorado Bears (6-11, 11-14 overall) will be the seventh and final seed in the North Central Conference Tournament for women's basketball.

This elimination game is at Butler-Hancock Hall in Greeley, Colo., and can be heard on ESPN radio 1620 with play-by-play by Kevin Kugler.

Northern Colorado is led by center Missy Borell who averages a double-double in every game (18.1 points, 10.1 rebounds). Forward Jill Fadenrecht is also a solid player, with 10.6 points and 6.6 boards per game.

UNC won the first game Dec. 9 at Sapp Fieldhouse 79-68. Borell and Fadenrecht both hit double digits in scoring and rebounds to lift the Bears.

Sophomore center Tanya Hammes led UNO with 16 points.

UNO junior guard Jennifer Mitchell broke her own school record for three-pointers made in a season last week against South Dakota State. She now has 49 treys (the old mark was 48) and can add to the record this Saturday.

Mitchell continues to lead the Mavericks in scoring with 13.9 points per game. She is first in the conference



UNO's Anne Bomstad and Sherri Brende of SDSU scramble for the ball in a recent game.

with 2.35 three-point shots made per contest, and is second in assists, dishing out 5.29 a game.

Mitchell had a career-high 10 assists against Northern Colorado last year.

Hammes is second in the conference in blocked shots per game,

averaging 1.65.

The Bears have an edge in the all-time series, 18-8. If the Mavericks pull out the victory on the road, they would play a road game to open tournament play at either North Dakota or North Dakota State.

Men's basketball attempts to finish on high note

Cory Carlson

Three UNO seniors will play their final college basketball game Saturday. UNO (2-15, 8-17 overall) takes on Northern Colorado (5-12, 10-15 overall) at Butler-Hancock Hall in Greeley, Colo., at 4 p.m. MST.

Both teams only have pride on the line, because both have been mathematically eliminated from North Central Conference post-season play.

Mav center Darran Miller (10.4 pts., 4.9 rebs.) and reserve guards Gary Morgan and Patrick Voss will lace it up for the final time in the red and black. Voss will most likely finish his career in third place on the school career charts in three-pointers made with 120. He trails only Mike Simons (230) and Troy Kloewer (131) for his career.

Northern Colorado did not finish NCC play the same way it started. The Bears looked like a force to be reckoned with when they came to Sapp Fieldhouse Dec. 9 and jumped all over the Mavericks, winning 99-68. Since then, UNC has fallen on hard times.

UNC's leading scorer is senior forward Reggie York who averages 12.8 points a game off the bench.

Freshman forward Michael Morse has emerged as a prime-time player, also averaging in double figures in points with 12.0 a game, while grabbing 5.2 rebounds. Morse led the Bears against UNO Dec. 9, scoring a game-high 24 points and pulling down eight boards.

UNO sophomore guard Seth Nelson and company are hoping for a better showing this time around, and hope to break a seven-game losing skid. Nelson and sophomore forward Dan Morrow led UNO with 15 points apiece on the Dec. 9 showdown.

Sophomore guard Kevin Knudson is the other Bears player scoring in double digits, with 10.4 per contest. Knudson was named to the honorable mention academic All-NCC list.

UNO's Nelson was the only Maverick named to the first team All-NCC academically. He carries a 3.457 grade point average in management information systems. Nelson leads his team and ranks third in the conference in scoring, putting up 16 points a game.

UNC leads the closely-contested all-time series 32-28.

Eddie King pulls down a rebound during last weekend's action



David Brisson gets dragged down by an Ohio State player during a recent UNO victory.

Home ice on the line when Mavericks face Ferris State

Cory Carlson

UNO is looking for its first road sweep in the Central Collegiate Hockey Association this weekend at Big Rapids, Mich. The Mavericks may need all four points to lock up home ice for the playoffs.

The Mavs are 13-4-1 at the bullpen and 3-9-2 on the road this year (not counting the 2-0 record on a neutral site for the AI-Huntsville Tournament in December).

Ferris State is the only CCHA team never to have defeated UNO. The Bulldogs were swept by UNO on Oct. 27-28 (7-4, 7-3). UNO set season highs with goals in a game (7) and power-play goals in a game (4).

However, this game will have a lot more on the line, and also will feature two of the hottest teams on the ice since Christmas.

The Bulldogs are 9-3-1 since the holiday, including a 3-0-1 record at home.

Mav Head Coach Mike Kemp counters with a 9-3-2 mark since Christmas Day, and leads the overall series against Ferris State 3-0-1.

It will be strength-on-strength when both the CCHA defensive and offensive players of the week face off on both nights. Between the Bulldog pipes is junior Phil Osaer. He turned away 47 of 49 shots against Bowling Green a week ago. Osaer comes in with a .914 save percentage and a stingy 2.0 goals against average.

Osaer will have his gloves full with UNO sophomore forward David Brisson. Brisson had three goals and three assists against Ohio State last week. He is tied for the league lead in goals with 17, and his plus/minus rating of +16 is also good for the top spot.

The Mavericks lead the all-time series 3-0-1, including 1-0-1 in Big Rapids. UNO has also outscored Ferris State 24-14 in the four-game history of the series.

Freshman goalie Dan Ellis has 804 saves, tying him with Kendall Sidoruk for the single-season record.

Senior center James Chalmers should be back on the ice this weekend after suffering an injury in a collision against Ohio State last week. Junior defenseman Zach Scribner was seen in an orange no-contact jersey at practice this week. He will also be available to play in this weekend's series.

UNO returns home to close out the regular season against the Findlay Oilers of the College Hockey America Conference March 1-2.

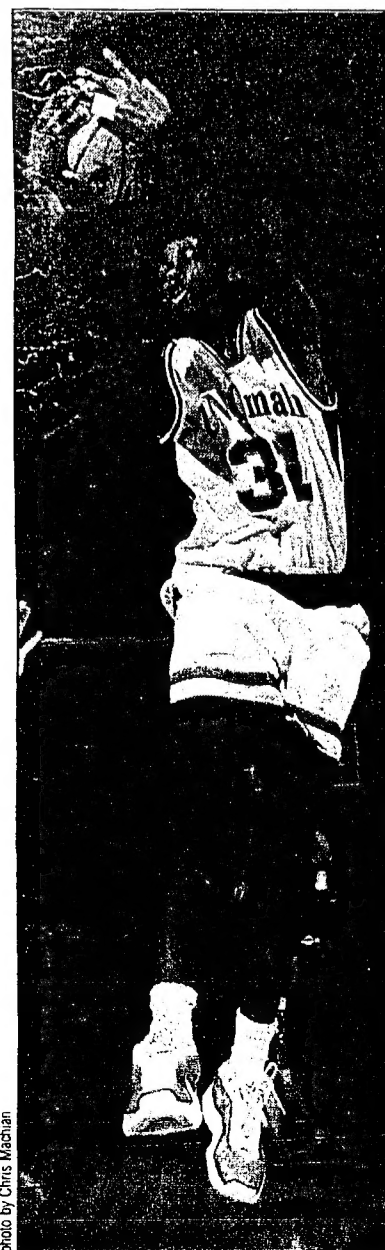
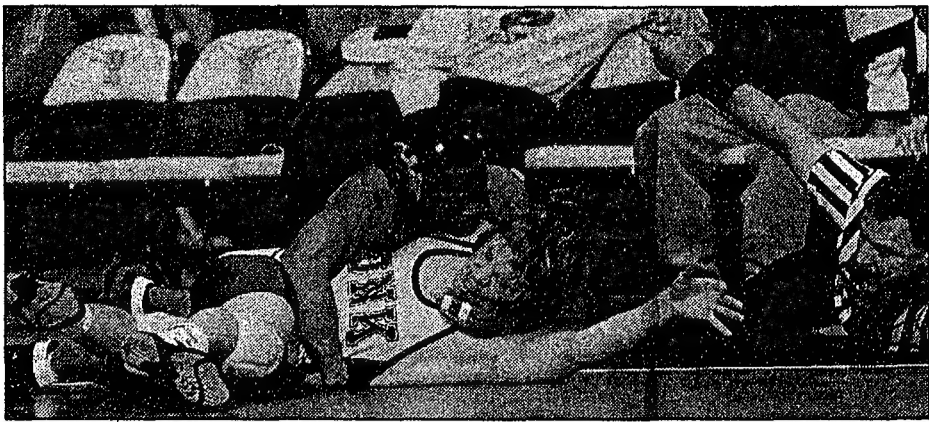


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Roderick Ratcliff defeats UNK's Jeremy Gobel 17-7 at match earlier this year. The Mavs will travel to Mankato for the NCC tourney.

Final push before nationals this weekend for wrestlers

Melissa Kucirek

This weekend marks the final tournament preparation for Head Coach Mike Denney's wrestlers prior to the NCAA Division II National Championships.

Sunday's all-day event in Mankato, Minn., is the North Central Conference Tournament. Last season the Mavs finished in first place. With the season-long NCAA Division II No. 1 rating (and perfect 6-0 record in NCC duals), things are ripe for a repeat.

Senior Scott Antoniak, a two-time All-American at 184 pounds, is riding a No. 5 national ranking. Last season he finished third at the NCC tournament.

Alan Cartwright, a senior from Chicago, is No. 4 in the nation at 157 pounds. At the NCC tournament last year, Cartwright placed second.

No. 2 Mack LaRock, a 125-pound senior, finished second at the tournament last season.

Roderick Ratcliff (141 pounds) took second place honors at the 2000 NCC

championships but wrestled at 133 pounds.

Zach Stalder, a 174-pound Omaha native, is ranked No. 6. Stalder finished fourth at the NCC championships last season.

All-American sophomore and 197-pounder Chad Wallace is ranked No. 1 in the nation. Wallace placed second in the 2000 NCC

finals.

North Dakota State is UNO's main threat. The Bison are the 1999-2000 NCAA Division II champs and are No. 2 this season. UNO hosted the Bison on Jan. 27, resulting in a 22-12 Maverick victory. The Bison boast 174-pound Todd Fuller, ranked No. 2 in NCAA Division II. Steve Saxlund (184) is ranked No. 1.

Heavyweight Nick Severson brings a national No. 1 ranking as well.

The Jackrabbits of South Dakota State will be another foe to watch for Denney's Mavs.

Six of 10 Jackrabbits are ranked nationally in the top 10. No. 1's Paul Konechne (141) and Aaron Veskura (149) lead the pack.

Sports Schedule

Thursday, Feb. 22, 2001

UNO swimming and diving at NCC Conference Championships at Grand Forks, N.D.
All day.

Friday, Feb. 23, 2001

UNO swimming and diving at NCC Conference Championships at Grand Forks, N.D.
All day.

UNO track and field at NCC Indoor Track and Field Championships at the DakotaDome, Vermillion S.D. 10 a.m.

UNO hockey (18-13-3) at Ferris State (13-14-5) 6:05 p.m.

UNO tennis (2-0) hosts Augustana (0-0) 6 p.m. at Hanscom Park.

Saturday, Feb. 24, 2001

UNO swimming and diving at NCC Conference Championships at Grand Forks, N.D.
All day.

UNO track and field at NCC Indoor Track and Field Championships at the DakotaDome, Vermillion S.D. 10 a.m.

UNO women's basketball (8-17) at Northern Colorado (11-14) 3 p.m.

UNO men's basketball (8-17) at Northern Colorado (10-15) 5 p.m.

UNO hockey at Ferris State 6:05 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 25, 2001

Division II No. 1 UNO wrestling at NCC Conference Championships at Mankato, Minn.
All day.

UNO tennis hosting Graceland (0-0) noon at Hanscom Park.

UNO baseball (0-0) hosting Wisconsin-Milwaukee (0-0) at Creighton Complex 3:30 p.m.

Baseball opens with home game

Cory Carlson

UNO takes on the Panthers of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee at the Creighton Baseball Complex at 3:30 p.m. Sunday.

The Mavericks were 25-25-1 a year ago, and Head Coach Bob Herold enters his second season at the helm with a lot of optimism.

"These players have a better feel for me, and I have a feel for them," Herold said.

The Mavs return their top hurler and top hitter from last season when they finished third in the North Central Conference with a 12-8 conference mark.

The probable starting lineup for Sunday lists only three seniors, but a number of new faces. The leader at the plate is senior co-captain John Shoemaker who started all 51 games in 2000. Shoemaker hit .340 with three home runs and 43 runs

batted in.

The ace on the mound is senior co-captain right-hander Aaron Woodard of Omaha Roncalli. Woodard compiled a 5-3 record and had a 3.15 earned run average.

UWM has been tabbed to win the Midwestern Collegiate Conference title. They were 30-24 a year ago, and return 15 lettermen from that team.

Following Sunday's game, the Mavericks have a 14-game road swing including trips to face an improved Air Force team and Division II National Champion South East Oklahoma.

"On our schedule, I tried to get everyone on there who can beat us," Herold said. "You get competitive guys and they want to play that kind of schedule."

UNO returns home to play Creighton at CU Complex March 21. The first true home game is at Seymour Smith March 24 against Washburn University.



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INTRAMURAL SPORTS LEAGUE STANDINGS

A League Top Ten
For 5x5 Basketball
(After Week Four)
As determined by The Mav-
Rec Crew
*Clinched playoff spot

Rank	Record
1. The Commission*	4-0
2. In It 4 The Shirt*	4-0
3. Sig Ep A*	4-0
4. Run & Gun*	3-1
5. The Nets*	3-1
6. Diversity III*	2-2
7. Team Dirt*	2-2
8. Old School	1-3
9. The Intramural Champions	1-3
10. Pike A*	3-1

Comments: Things continue to change as we head towards the tournament. The playoffs are set, but the games for this last week will help determine the playoff seeding. **The Commission** continues to roll; they have to be considered the favorite right now. **In It 4 The Shirt** just keeps winning. Their league is turning out to be a joke, but they do own an impressive win over **Run & Gun** in week #1. **Sig Ep A** continues to be the class of the Wednesday league, and they may surprise some teams in the tournament. **Diversity III** lost again, but they were without their best guard and their best big man, so should really

show who is ready for the tournament and who isn't. Playoffs start Monday!

B League Top Ten
For 5x5 Basketball
(After Week Four)
As determined by The
Mav-Rec Crew
*Clinched playoff spot

Rank	Record
1. Sugar Ray's Fun Police*	4-0
2. X-Men*	3-1
3. Sig Ep B*	4-0
4. Bedu Crew*	4-0
5. Raptors	2-2
6. Pike B*	3-1
7. Mo's Free Agents	2-2
8. Lords of the Underworld	2-2
9. UV Boys	2-2
10. Mats	1-3

Comments: Don't check last week's top ten... nothing changed. **Sugar Ray's Fun Police** remain in the top spot after throwing 88 points on the board, with five guys. Nice job. **X-Men** again barely won, but with only four players, so they stay #2. **Sig Ep B** and **Bedu Crew** also stayed undefeated, and the rest of the top ten really doesn't matter, does it? Just Kidding. Look for any of the top four teams to win the tournament. They have shown that they are clearly the class of the B League; they just need to play each other to see who deserves

the t-shirts. Playoffs start Monday!

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